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Housing & Fairer Stockton-on Tees Overview Report

2025/2026

Examples of cross our Key Achievements

Homelessness Service

- Adoption of refreshed Homelessness & Rough Sleeping Service
- Implementation of the repeat Homelessness Service

Delivery of the Thornaby Town Deal Housing Programme

- Property improvements (security measures / energy efficiency measures)
- Returning empty properties to use & wider environmental improvements

Worked with Registered Housing providers to increase the supply of affordable housing

- 131 new affordable homes

Continued to support individuals to live as independently as possible in their homes

- 211 property adaptations delivered through

Continued support to support those experiencing poverty & social isolation

- Free School meals auto enrollment / Here to Help events

Challenges and Emerging issues

Examples of challenges

- Limited affordable housing options in both the social and private rented sectors
- Continued cost of living pressures

Examples of emerging issues

- Responding to key Government priorities and legislation:
  - National Plan to End Homelessness / national commitment to end rough sleeping
  - Renters Right Act (Register Your Rental Property Service)
  - Supported Housing Regulatory Act (Introduction of a mandatory licensing regime for supported housing)
- Working with the Neigbhourhood Board to prepare the Central Stockton & Portrack **Pride in Place** Plan and 10-year Vision

Looking ahead key areas of focus (examples of planned activity)

- Continued focus on addressing homelessness & rough sleeping
- DFG funding review (specifically our use of discretionary funding)
- Continuing our preparation the next phases of the Renters Rights Act & Supported Housing Regulatory Act
- Publish a Supported Housing Strategy
- Work with the sector to refresh the boroughs Volunteering Strategy (“People Power”)